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EXCERPT OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD APRIL 6, 1998
WITH ADJOURNED SESSIONS HELD APRIL 7, AND APRIL 8, 1998

ARTICLE 8 RECREATION IMPLEMENTATION

(Majority Vote Required)

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, the sum of \$224,699, or any other sum, to be expended by the Town Manager for personnel and equipment to initiate a recreation implementation program as outlined in the summary below, or take any other action relative thereto.

MOTION: **MR. MULLIN** moves that the Town raise and appropriate \$224,699.00 to be expended by the Town Manager for implementation of the Recreation Division within the Natural Resources and Cemetery Department and for professional design services for the Morrison Property.

MOTION: **MR. EVANS** moves to amend the sum of the motion by subtracting \$2240.00

AMENDMENT LOST

ORIGINAL MOTION CARRIES

ARTICLE 8 RECREATION IMPLEMENTATION

(Majority Vote Required)

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, the sum of \$224,699, or any other sum, to be expended by the Town Manager for personnel and equipment to initiate a recreation implementation program as outlined in the summary below, or take any other action relative thereto.

SUMMARY

This Article will establish a Recreation Division within the Natural Resources and Cemetery Department, comprised of a Recreation Director, Secretary, two full time groundskeepers and two seasonal workers. Duties will include establishing and overseeing recreation programs, scheduling athletic events, programming and coordinating amphitheater events. New recreation staff will assume responsibility for improving and maintaining the existing 24 acres of established town recreation assets, along with bringing the 40 acre North Acton Recreation Area on line and initial work related to the newly acquired 32 acre Morrison Farm.

This request includes 50% of the cost of a vehicle to transport recreation equipment and personnel along with an additional riding lawnmower to help provide a higher level of existing services as well as accommodate the new services that will be provided in connection with the North Acton Recreation Area and the future development of the Morrison Property.

Finally, \$40,000 is included for engineering design of the Morrison Farm which will include professional services to develop a best use scenario for recreational facilities and associated parking. An important element of this design will include consideration of the relationship between the farm property, Ice House Pond, and the future Lowell-Sudbury Rail-Trail.

Direct inquiries to: Thomas Tidman, Natural Resources/Cemetery Director - 264-9631
Selectman Assigned: William Mullin

Selectmen: Recommended

Finance Committee: Recommended

ARTICLE 9 LOCAL SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

(2/3 Vote Required)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$12,325,000, or any other sum of money, for constructing, originally equipping and furnishing a new four section elementary school including costs incidental and related thereto, and to determine whether to raise this appropriation by borrowing or otherwise, or to take any other action relative thereto.

SUMMARY

(Summary is provided by Acton Public Schools)

For the past few years, the Acton School Committee and its staff have been studying school space. We have anticipated the need for more classrooms because of increased enrollment trends.

TOWN OF ACTON

ABSTRACT OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING HELD OCTOBER 14, 1997

NUMBER OF REGISTERED VOTERS ATTENDING THE TOWN MEETING: 314

Moderator Donald MacKenzie called the meeting to order on Tuesday, October 14, 1997 at 7:00 p.m.

After welcoming the attendees to the special town meeting, the Moderator informed the audience that during the meeting Tom Tidman would answer any questions on Article 1 and John Murray would answer any questions on Article 2. He then gave a brief review of Town Meeting rules and regulations.

The Moderator introduced F. Dore' Hunter, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Hunter introduced members of Board of Selectmen, the Town Manager, the Town Accountant and the Assistant Town Manager. The Moderator introduced Town Counsel, the Town Clerk and Thomas Mackey, Chairman of the Finance Committee. Mr. Mackey introduced the members of the Finance Committee.

Mr. Mackenzie called upon Jasmin Brandeis to give a short presentation on the "AB CELEBRATION 98".

Mr. Mackenzie then reads the motion for Article 1.

ARTICLE 1 MORRISON LAND (Majority Vote Required)

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds or transfer from previous appropriations the sum of \$233,179.88, or any other sum, to be added to previously appropriated funds, to be expended by the Town Manager for the purpose of acquiring by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise, the 32.56 acre Morrison Property located on Concord Road and shown on the Acton Town Atlas Map F-4, Parcel 34, or take any other action relative thereto.

MOTION:

Mr. Mullin moves that the Town appropriate \$233,179.88 for the purpose of supplementing monies previously appropriated for the purchase of the Morrison Property located on Concord Road and as shown on the Acton Town Atlas Map F-4, Parcel 34, and to raise such amount \$233,179.88 be transferred from the appropriation voted under Article 4 of the warrant for the November 15, 1995 Special Town Meeting, "Acquisition of Camp Acton".

MOTION CARRIES

ABSTRACT OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING HELD OCTOBER 14, 1997
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OCTOBER 14, 1997

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